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SUBJECT: MEDIA REACTION: ATTACK ON INDIAN EMBASSY IN  
KABUL, NUCLEAR ISSUES / NPT; NEW DELHI.

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reaction/opinion from India's large non-English press.  
The Mission reports on English-language media via email  
through the daily "Early Edition" summary.

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ATTACK ON INDIAN EMBASSY IN KABUL  
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1. "ATTACK ON INDIA NEMBASSY IN KABUL: WILL IT BE THE  
LAST?" editorial in October 12 centrist Gujarati  
daily, GUJARATMITRA: "The attack on the Indian  
embassy, the second in the last 15 months, indicates  
that the security situation in strife-torn Afghanistan  
is far from satisfactory. Secondly, the continuing  
uncertainty over the outcome of the presidential  
elections further aggravates the security scenario  
there. Under such circumstances, the extremist Taliban  
group becomes more active and aggressive. The attack  
on the Indian chancery is a case in point. While India  
welcomes U.S. Ambassador Roemer's statement that  
America stands firmly behind India, India will have to  
fight such threats of terrorism on her own strength."

2. "BAD OMEN IN AFGHANISTAN," editorial in October 10  
Hindi daily, DAINIK JAGRAN: "The attack on the Indian  
Embassy in Kabul should be an eye opener for India and  
the international community, particularly the U.S. It  
is clear that there is no control over terrorists  
either in Afghanistan or in Pakistan.... The real source  
of terrorists' support lies in Pakistan. This attack

has confirmed that the Pakistani intelligence agency ISI is still supporting the Taliban. It is really shocking that the U.S. continues its economic and military aid to Pakistan, despite having its own experts confirming that the latter is using it against India."

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13. "WEAPON OF DISARMAMENT," editorial in October 12 Hindi daily DAINIK HINDUSTAN: "Obama wrote to the U.S. Congress that his administration was working with other countries on not allowing India to expand its nuclear program. It seems every year India will seek U.S. President's approval, which was said to be just a formality in the U.S.-India nuclear deal. But despite having a similar deal with China why does U.S. not say anything about its nuclear ambitions? And why does it have a soft attitude on Pakistan? If Obama maintains discrimination in the disarmament policy, it will certainly obstruct his and the world's goal of peace."  
ROEMER